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TITLE OF INVENTION: DISPLAY

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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The MAILING DATE of this communication app All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85 NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT R of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.31	6 (OR REMAINS) CLOSED i) or other appropriate comm RIGHTS. This application is	n this application. If not included unication will be mailed in due c	d ourse. THIS
1. \square This communication is responsive to $4/22/08$.			
2. ☑ The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-5 and 7-15</u> .			
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Jensen on 8/18/08 in order to correct the numbering of claim 12 so as to facilitate allowing of the case.

In claim 12, line, 1, please delete [[12]] and insert 1

Reason for Allowance

Claims 1-5 and 7-15 are allowed for the following reasons:

The instant application is deemed to be directed to a nonobvious improvement over the invention patented in Pat. No. Takeda et al. (Us 2002/0031294).

Claim 1 is allowed because the prior art of record, taken alone or in combination, fails to disclose or render obvious a number of the light path changing means being smaller than a number of the pixels of the liquid crystal panel in combination with the rest of the limitations of the base claim. Claims 2-5 and 7-15 are allowed by virtue of dependency.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany

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Reasons for Allowance."

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examiner should be directed to K. Cyrus Kianni whose telephone number is 571-272-2417. The

examiner can normally be reached on 9:30-19:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor,

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Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2883

August 18, 2008